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VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS JANUARY 21, 2015 SUSSEX ROOM PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Board will be called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Board President Logan	(X)	()
Board Member Adler	(X)	()
Board Member Charnick	()	(X)
Board Member Croman	(X)	()
Board Member Gardner	(X)	()
Board Member Rosenberg	(X)	()
Board Member Tamassia	(X)	()
Board Member Thornton	(X)	()
Deputy Attorney General Bradford	(X)	()
Executive Director Eisenmenger	(X)	()
Isaura Roman, Secretarial Assistant	()	(X)

Announcement of quorum.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Newark, Star Ledger, the Trenton Times, the Bergen Record, Atlantic City Press and the Courier Post .

B. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

December 10, 2014 Public Minutes

On a motion by Ms. Thornton, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, the Board approved the minutes as amended. Specifically, change "agenda" to "minutes" in the header, and change "schedule" to "scheduled" concerning the next meeting date.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pat Scavelli, NJVMA, spoke about information from Hawaii concerning continuing education regulations licensed pharmacists.

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

1. Copies of legislative/regulatory initiatives from Hawaii concerning continuing education requirements for pharmacists. The Board received this as informational, and asked the executive director to speak with his colleague on the Pharmacy Board about this issue.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Executive Director Jonathan Eisenmenger reported that in the calendar year 2014, the Board received 296 applications and issued 294 licenses and permits.
2. Draft orientation program for Veterinarians
The committee reported that all of the questions have been reviewed, and most suggestions have been submitted. Dr. Tamassia will forward the recommended questions to the executive director to put them on the website.

F. CREDENTIALING

1. Lawren Durocher Babek, D.V.M. - On a motion by Ms. Thornton, seconded by Dr. Adler, the Board approved Dr. Durocher-Babek for a license, after the completion of all remaining requirements (6-0, with Dr. Logan abstained)

G. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Inquiry from John Guidera, Esq. - update about the estate of Dr. Frank Mitterman. The estate notified the Board about the new supervising veterinarian and requests another extension in order to sell the practice.

The Board directed the executive director to write a letter to the attorney thanking him for the update and encouraging him to continue to advise the Board of any changes.

H. PUBLIC ACTION FILED BY THE BOARD

Nothing considered.

I. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Editorial from The Press of Atlantic City regarding a bill concerning the treatment of pigs. The Board received this as informational.
2. "Call to Action" article concerning veterinary accreditation status. The Board received this as informational.
3. "See Spot Relax" article from The Press of Atlantic City published on November 30, 2014. The Board received this as informational.
4. National Board Report - quarterly newsletter fo the NBVME. The Board received this as informational.
5. Appearance of Joseph Breymeier, Esq. and Meghan Goulding, DAG, presenting details of a settlement in the matter of the Formal Complaint filed against James M. Clinton, V.M.D.

On a motion by Dr. Adler, seconded by the Ms. Thornton, the Board accepted the settlement and filed the Consent Order as presented by the parties. The Board also agreed that an amount of \$4,000 that was stayed in the final order filed in 2005 has not been discharged and will not be assessed against Dr. Clinton in the future. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

J. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2015.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board will convene in executive session to hold investigative inquiries and to consider new and pending consumer complaints and disciplinary matters. Immediately subsequent to executive session the Board will return to open session to vote on those matters resulting in disciplinary action.

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.